

IN RE: Application of South Carolina Electric and Gas Company for Adjustments and Increases in its Electric Rate Schedules and Tariffs) ORDER
) GRANTING
) REQUEST

the hearing to introduce Ms. Van Dyke and to state on the record that he is her sponsor for this proceeding, but, at that point, the South Carolina attorney would ask to be excused from attending the remainder of the proceeding. As the attorney's place of business is with the Navy Office of General Counsel in Charleston, South Carolina, he would be available to drive back to Columbia should that prove necessary during the proceeding.

As her basis for the request, Ms. Van Dyke asserts that she has appeared previously before this Commission, is familiar with our proceedings, and is known to the parties in the proceeding. Ms. Van Dyke asserts that while the proposed attorney of record is willing to attend all of the proceeding if so required, his time could be more productively utilized if he is not required to physically attend the proceedings after his initial appearance to introduce her.

We agree with Ms. Van Dyke that SCACR 404 (f) allows a tribunal to specifically excuse the South Carolina attorney of record from the proceeding. In this case, we grant the request under the conditions described above. In other words, the South Carolina attorney of record shall be present on the first day of the proceeding to introduce Ms. Van Dyke, but he can then be excused, unless Ms. Van Dyke or the Commission find it necessary at a later time to call him back to the proceeding. Indeed, Ms. Van Dyke is familiar to this Commission and has appeared in prior SCE&G electric rate cases. Ms. Van Dyke is also well known to the parties in this case. Because of these factors, and with the conditions suggested by Ms. Van Dyke, we find no reason to deny

the request. The request is granted. The Commission, however, reserves its ruling on any proffered motion for pro hac vice admission until a later time.

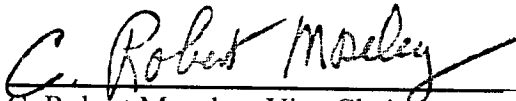
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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